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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application

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For: Methods for Selecting Polynucleotides Encoding T Cell Epitopes

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17;
- 2. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
- 3. Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
- PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$100.00 to cover:
 \$55.00 one month Extension of Time fee; and
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- 5. One return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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